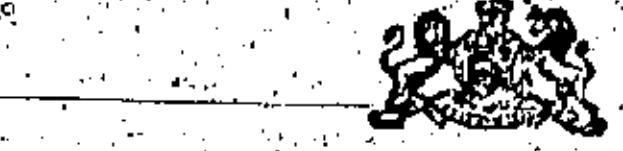


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## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 4TH, 1908.

We have had occasion more than once lately to allude to the Salt Smugglers of Kiangsu and their extraordinary relations with the local officials, which has long been a disgrace to the entire administration, not only of the province but of the Empire at large. Originally sprung into existence through the connivance of the provincial officials, who made use of them to draw into their own hands the imperial revenue due from the Salt Gabelle, of late years the completely organised society of the Salt Smugglers has assumed a cojoint authority in the frontier districts of Chekiang and Kiangsu at the Emperor's own officials, and practically rules whole districts from Shanghai to the regions surrounding the T'ai Hu. In the districts adjoining Shanghai it carries on its proceedings practically openly, and has its own officials and its own police who bring notice of any infraction of its regulations, and whose energies are more especially devoted to the rooting out of informants who may give any clue to the machinations of the confederacy. Since the mischievous taotai YUAN in 1906 formed an unholy alliance with the chiefs of the Smugglers to destroy the Foreign Settlements at Shanghai, the fraternity has felt itself powerful enough under threats of exposure to set at defiance the regular provincial officials, and the whole of the lower county may be said to exist under a rule of terrorism. This extends to the immediate precincts of the Foreign Settle-

ments, where almost nightly outrages, for the most part outside the limits of the foreign police, but occasionally within the boundaries are reported; and it is only through the energetic and constant control of the armed and well disciplined foreign police of the Settlements that these disorders are prevented day by day from breaking out into open violence. More recently, encouraged by the impunity accorded by the incapacity of the local government to control so powerful an organisation, these outrages have been increasing in audacity, and now the persons and property of the officials themselves, which up to this had been studiously and even ostentatiously respected, are openly threatened; and it is daily becoming more evident that certain disloyal officials are really at the bottom of the disorder. As we showed the other day, the agitation, nominally against the British and Chinese Syndicate and the proposed Railway loan, are really at bottom directed against the Central Government, and its efforts to bring under Imperial control the hitherto semi-independent Provincial administrations. Of this we have evidence on many sides, not the least instructive of which is the part being played by SHENG KUNG-FAO, who almost openly is fanning the fires of disorder.

Certain of the higher officials of the province have apparently been making feeble efforts to ease, or put an end to, the general state of terrorism, and there is little doubt that the late attack on the train of passenger boats proceeding under tow from Hangchow to Shanghai, and in a well traversed waterway, was carefully planned beforehand, and was intended as a distinct threat to Peking of armed resistance in case of further attempts to interfere in provincial affairs. The steamer and train selected for the first attack belonged to the China Merchants Company, which is essentially a metropolitan institution, and as such is not viewed by the provincials with over-loving eyes; the second was the property of a Japanese Company, and there is little doubt that this was likewise intentional in order to embarrass the Peking administration as much as possible, quite as much, or more, as from any local anti-Japanese dislike. We have pointed out in our previous notice, that this powerful organisation of the Kiangsu Salt Smugglers, unless brought under control was likely in the near future to prove a public danger. Practically, as being a source of private income to the local administrators, the existence of the association was winked at, if not covertly supported as a means of eking out the revenues of the Provinces, and they entered into this with all the more readiness that they conceived that in accepting hush-money from the Smugglers' Association, they were really defecating into their own pockets money which would otherwise have gone to Peking. It is unfortunately the case that in this miserable business the hands of Peking are scarcely, if at all, cleaner than those of the Provincials. Peking was, in fact, as wide awake to the increase in the income of the local officials as they were themselves; but instead of taking measures to repress the evil, it has by increasing its vails on the appointments to local office really contributed to making them more permanent. Long ago the ancient Chinese ballad sang:

Who learn no right, know no remorse,  
Are woman and her unsexed crew.  
And the aphorism is as true in the present day, as in those other times when it was the common bruit of the empire.

It is things like this that occurring from day to day go far to cast suspicion on the genuineness of the Chinese cry for reform. At all events, as we have often remarked, reform in China, to be possible, must begin at the fountain head; it is utterly impossible to attempt to cleanse the hands of the provincial administrations so long as the system of vails, now more than ever in full play, prevails in provincial appointments. No officer who has left in a corner of his mind a spark of financial honesty, could remain in a post where lying and concealment is the first requirement for success. The stream of promotion is poisoned at the source, and the promotee must drink of it or perish from thirst. There is indeed a good deal of reason to connect the last outbreak of savagery with the exaction of the 50,000 taels indemnity for the damage done in the Foreign Settlements at Shanghai by Taotai YUAN and his confederates of the Salt Smugglers. After shuffling without avail to get out of responsibility for the affair, it was announced that YUAN himself, to save further embarrassment to the Wei-wu-pu, would pay it out of his own pocket; such a solution seemed to meet admirably the justice of the case. But there was something behind this pretended magnanimity. The officials implicated in their turn tried to levy it off the Salt Smugglers, already discredited at recent additions to their

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LONDON, February 2nd.

The King and Crown Prince of Portugal have been assassinated.

Three of the murderers were killed.

LATER.

The Queen and Prince Manoel were wounded in the affray, the Queen being attacked in attempting to shield the Crown Prince.

The Royal party were driving from the landing stage to the palace when the revolutionaries boarded the carriage. Three of the assassins were arrested.

On Sunday the house of Senhor Franco, the Prime Minister, was attacked.

TYNE SHIPBUILDERS  
LOCKOUT.

LONDON, January 3rd.

A lockout of Tyne shipbuilders is notified.

INTERNATIONAL RUGBY.

LONDON, February 2nd.

Wales scored six points to Scotland's five in the international football competition.

## DR. JAMESON.

LONDON, February 2nd.

Dr. Jameson has resigned the Premiership of the Cape Colony.

## TRUSTS.

LONDON, February 2nd.

President Roosevelt has issued a special message in which he urges the duty of legislation to control the Trusts.

## THAW ACQUITTED.

LONDON, February 2nd.

Harry K. Thaw, the millionaire who shot an architect at New York, and who was remanded owing to the jury's failure to agree, has now been found not guilty, on the ground of insanity.

## CANADA AND JAPAN.

LONDON, January 30th.

The Canadian House of Commons has been defeated on a motion dissenting from any Treaty depriving Parliament of the control of immigration. Sir Wilfrid Laurier made a stirring appeal for imperial interests and asked whether the Japanese were only admissible in the event of war when joined with the British in protecting the Canadian shores.

ASIATICS IN THE TRANSVAAL.

## HOME AND CHINA AFFAIRS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

London, January 3rd.  
The New Year was ushered in here in London with the customary celebrations around St. Paul's and elsewhere, but it was a chilly time for standing about and there was in consequence less rowdiness than usual in the crowd of Cockneys pretending to be Scotsmen. For London has winter upon it with considerable severity at last and the chilly east winds are here with their resulting crop of influenza and pneumonia. There seems to be no reason for supposing that any branch of trade will have a worse time than in the past twelve months, while many have hopes of better things. Politically there will be hard fighting over the licensing question and the restriction of the liquor traffic, but the latest advices from those who know do not indicate an early election. A Manchester man who has had a chat with the Prime Minister at Biniwell thinks the Government will run for three more years yet. Personally I think that is too optimistic from the Liberal point of view, for there is no saying what obstacles to their career may appear in the course of the next year or so. Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman is reported to be much better for his holiday and looks forward to the coming fight with eagerness. There are many rumours of impending changes in the Cabinet, the latest being the passing of Sir Henry and Mr. Herbert Gladstone to the Lords, while Mr. John Barnes is put down for the Home Office in place of Mr. Gladstone, and Dr. Macnamara to take over the headman's job at the Local Government Board. It is hopeless, however, to try and keep track of this kind of rumour at this time of year.

LORD CURZON.

Writing of politics reminds me of the letter just written by Lord Curzon to the Irish peers, asking that he should be elected a representative Irish peer in the room of the late Lord Kilmaine. Lord Curzon gets in a complaint. He complains that the Prime Minister has refused to make him a peer and thus fails to keep up the precedent of Indian ex-viceroy being made peers. But this is truly worthy of George Nathaniel Curzon. When he was in the House of Commons he showed marked ability, but that he showed a remarkable extent of self satisfaction and belief in his abilities as an indispensable asset of the Empire. His tone was patronising to a degree and at Oxford, whence he sprang to politics, they had a couple—

"My name is George Nathaniel Curzon  
I am a most superior person."

Moreover the ex-viceroy of whom he speaks were peers before they were viceroys, with one exception, so that his precedent does not work.

Lord Curzon expressly chose an Irish title so that he might re-enter the House of Commons. He now wants to have the cake he has eaten, so to speak. He says he cannot enter political life for the Commons on account of health and the only place he can serve the nation is in the gilded chamber. What is equally probable is that with his Free Trade opinion he cannot see a clear course with his party in the Commons, and so prefers a place of more freedom. Still, that sublime belief that the Empire needs him so pressingly is a comfortable one to have, and even his opponents admit that he has more right to it than many others. While I have been writing this, curiously enough, I have had a visit from one of the best informed and widely reputed Irishmen in politics in these islands, and he began to talk of the Curzon incident. He put forward a new theory which he said he had reason to believe was well founded. It is that very soon Mr. Balfour will resign from the leadership of the Conservative party, and the object of Lord Curzon is to re-enter public life without a contest which might weaken his influence by forcing him to declare definite views on tariff questions. Then it is intended that he should succeed Mr. Balfour as Conservative leader and when the party regains power—Premier. I understand that he would put forth all his strength to re-elect the Conservative party on a policy of preference to the Colonies but against Protection as a general device at home.

MR. BELLIOS' CANDIDATURE.

The Conservatives, by the way, are getting house in order. All-through-the-country now there are meetings by vans and societies and the organisations are putting their machinery into better running order. The "Standard" has been printing a series of reviews of the situation in the various constituencies from the pen of Mr. John Foster Fraser. I notice that he comments favourably on the chances of Mr. E. Bellios, now Conservative candidate for Walworth, and predicts that at the next election he will wrest the seat from the Liberals. The organisation has been put on a thorough footing, and Mr. Bellios has personally called on the majority of the electors and been well received.

Mr. Bellios is the son of the well-known Hongkong merchant who used to send a splendid wreath every year to the statue of Lord Beaconsfield. He fought West Newington at the last election, but the member there, Captain Norton, is exceptionally popular and very few men could hope to oust him.

A HONGKONG SHIPPING ORDINANCE.

The Liverpool Chamber of Commerce, and especially the Liverpool Shipowners' Association, is at odds with the Colonial Office over the Hongkong Ordinance forbidding British steamships to take the chance of complement of Chinese coolies under contract to work on the Panama Canal, while a German steamer was permitted to take the coolies without any hindrance. It was pointed out to Lord Elgin, in the protest sent by the Chamber to the Colonial Office, that the Ordinance forbade any British ship to take persons under labour contracts from a British possession to a foreign country at a certain distance, but there was no prohibition similarly against a foreign vessel.

On Wednesday the Chamber received a letter from Lord Elgin closing the correspondence.

and repeating his assurance that he could not see his way to make any amendment, as proposed, in the Hongkong Ordinance.

Colonel Goffey, of the Liverpool Shipowners' Association, said it was clear that in this matter foreign ships had an advantage over British vessels even in British ports. This advantage was decided to protest further against, and on the proposal of Sir Alfred Jones it was decided to write again to Lord Elgin on the matter.

OPPIUM IN LONDON.

There is an outcry again about the opium dens in the East End of London; and indeed it is a matter for cynical amusement to see our good people going into frenzies about the evil opium smoking in China while the drug is regularly used in the districts adjacent to the London Docks to send into insensibility the Chinese sailors who have lost their entire wages in the gambling dens.

The matter has come up again through the prosecution of Rung Gow, keeper of a Chinese seaman's boarding house in Limehouse Causeway for overcrowding his house. The inspectors found in one room licensed to hold three, four boarders, one of whom was smoking opium. In another room four out of five men were smoking opium. The magistrate took an astonishingly lenient view of the case, and said no doubt the men were sociable and had walked from their rooms into those of their neighbours, so that the rooms visited had more than they should have had. Rung Gow would therefore have to pay two shillings costs.

Out of this case the papers have gained much material for comment and some who have visited the dens say that they are guarded as closely as the Bank of England by the proprietors, who make a fat living out of their customers. Apparently the regulations against the dens are not effective, or the administration of the law is lax.

PHILIPPINE POLITICS.

I hear from a Washington correspondent that the first Philippine delegates to be accredited to the United States have arrived.

so that the interests of the islands will be looked after and whenever Philippine matters are up for consideration in Congress the Senators and Representatives may be kept fully informed of what is going on and the direction in which Filipino ideas run. The delegates are

Mr. Legarda and Mr. Ocampo—the former a capitalist member of the progressive party and the latter a Nationalist and advocate of independence, who accompanied the Aguinaldo party to Hongkong as a result of the arrangements made with the Spanish authorities in 1896, preceding the American occupation. The delegates will be given seats on the floor of the House and all the privileges at present accorded to Mr. Larrazabal, the Porto Rican Resident Commissioner.

MR. BRYCE.

The report is current that Mr. Bryce will be home shortly to confer with the Government on the Oriental labour question in the Pacific coast. This has revived the story that Mr. Bryce is about to retire from the Diplomatic service. He will be seventy years of age next May, and it has been the rule for some years that seventy should be the limit of a man's diplomatic service. Under this policy the last government obliged the late Marques of Dufferin and Sir Edmund Monson to give place to others of younger experience. There are quite a number of eligibles for the coveted Washington post—one of the plums of the service—and there will be a jealous outcry if he is allowed to extend his period of service; though as a matter of fact Mr. Bryce at seventy is a more vigorous man than many at fifty.

CHINESE STOKERS.

Quite a hearty little debate is proceeding in shipping circles over the number of Chinese firemen employed in British ships. The latest contribution on the subject comes from Mr. William H. Raeburn of Raeburn and Verchian, who says it is true that it costs more to ship Chinese firemen than British. The cost monthly for the ordinary cargo boat he puts at £44 for British firemen and trimmers and £47 for Chinese. He adds that the reason so many Chinese are being employed in spite of this greater cost is that they are more sober and industrious than the British firemen; do their work better, and stick to their ships.

Mr. Raeburn thinks the British salt—the genuine article—cannot be beaten, but a very large proportion of the sailors and firemen are a disgrace to their flag.

A COWBOY BARONET.

There has been a good deal of talk here this week about Sir Genilie Cave Browne-Cave, who has succeeded to the title after an adventurous life and shows no desire even now to take advantage of the rank afforded by the succession in these islands. He prefers to remain rousing in the Far West.

At first the lawyers could not find him and the papers made a big "splash" about the missing cowboy baronet, but meanwhile he was quietly writing to agents here to dispose of certain property and to manage some thousand or so acres left him in Yorkshire, for he intends to stick to a ranch concerned in mining industry throughout the world, and the disturbance of values between China and countries using a gold standard.

In this connection it is interesting to note that the risk of famine is likely to decline somewhat year by year, owing to the irrigation works operating and projected in those parts of India where such undertakings are practicable; more especially in the Punjab, whose name, signifying "five rivers," denotes the existence of an abundant water supply, if it could be made available.

When the obstacles presented by the configuration of the country are surmounted, these rivers will then be able to diffuse their beneficial influence, and thus lessen the dependence of the rivot on the monsoon rainfall.

In addition to the needs of India proper, the steady development of Burma, at present sparsely populated, and its annual need for large remittances of coined rupees, which do not flow back to India in any large proportion,

commission for an American firm of naturalists. When he tired of this he went again to the Far West and lived as a cowboy till money came to him. Recently he won several home races at a meeting in the West, and the latest reports state that he is too wedded to the freedom of his life to settle down among the conventions of English country society.

THE FINNICKING WAR OFFICE.

The adoption of a new bayonet by the British Army Council has caused a good deal of discussion in military circles. It is very like the Japanese bayonet but with an important difference. The Japanese bayonet has a "back," single edge, one groove and a point. The British bayonet has two edges, two grooves, and a point. The new bayonet will be unlike the Japanese in so far as it will have a sloping "back," so as to provide a more useful point.

THE SEVENTH POT.

The breach in the Irish Nationalist party is still wide open and it may well be that the next election will be lively. For I am informed by an Irish M. P. that William O'Brien wants a National Convention called at once to discuss the policy to be adopted, and on John Redmond refusing to call it this side of Easter he has threatened to call it himself.

The fact is there is a movement afoot to oust Mr. Redmond from the leadership and put O'Brien in his place. The clergy, hitherto apart from O'Brien, are now swinging to his side, and the graziers also are with him. John Redmond gets £300 a year and expenses for his position while O'Brien is willing to do the work for nothing and to make the policy more aggressively active against British administration in Ireland. Finally, the O'Briens are making political capital out of the fact that several journalists who have distinguished themselves by applauding Redmond and bemoaning O'Brien have accepted snug government posts.

This has enraged the anti-British "patriots" and it looks as though there would be a wig on the green very shortly.

ANNUAL BULLION CIRCULAR.

SILVER.

Messrs. Samuel Montagu & Co. send us the following notes:—

The year 1907 opened with fair prospects for silver.

The price had never fallen below 29 pence during the previous year, having steadily risen to this level since the slump in 1902.

A growing confidence began to prevail that the evil days of silver were safely past, and that most of the damaging blows possible—such as fresh countries adopting a gold standard—had now been dealt, and their effect spent. As a matter of fact, with the important exception of China, there is now no country in the world whose currency is based upon silver.

Moreover, we had become accustomed to the ever advancing tide of prosperity in India, which bore with it a gradually increasing demand for the metallic currency of small denominations, which is necessary to a huge population whose wealth, though large in the aggregate, is individually small.

The Indian Government, impelled by chronic shortage of currency, dominated the silver market, and such fluctuations which took place merely punctuated the intervals between the issue of its buying orders, or indicated sharp upward movements when the Indian Bazaar, or some Continental orders, forced the Indian Government to yield the "pas" for a while.

The price which was fixed at 32 3/4 on the 1st of January, kept within about one penny below that figure until the middle of March, and then fell away to 29 15/16 on the 8th May; from whence the quotation rose and kept round about 31d until July, when it began to mount toward 32d. On the 1st August it touched 32 7/8d for cash, and 32 3/8d for forward—the highest prices since the beginning of the year.

Throughout that month and the next, prices moved downward to 31 1/16, until at the close of September, ominous reports came to hand of rain deficiency in parts of India, and a just-completed Government order was not renewed.

So unexpected was this unfavourable state of affairs, that the Bazaars had bought unusually heavy shipments for the end of October settlement in Bombay, and were therefore ill prepared to meet a reduced demand from up country.

Dealers promptly cleared out their stocks, and both India and China daily placed forward silver for sale on the London market, already hampered by large spot accumulations.

This happened at a time when money was beginning to get tight, and when metals generally were much depressed, and there was consequently but little speculative activity to stem the fall.

The margin of risk was so narrow that it was reported that "two days rain" would have retrieved the situation in India. A most striking fact is a short downturn would have prevented distress and famine to millions of human beings, financial loss to the vast capital concerned in mining industry throughout the world, and the disturbance of values between China and countries using a gold standard.

In this connection it is interesting to note that the risk of famine is likely to decline somewhat year by year, owing to the irrigation works operating and projected in those parts of India where such undertakings are practicable; more especially in the Punjab, whose name, signifying "five rivers," denotes the existence of an abundant water supply, if it could be made available.

When the obstacles presented by the configuration of the country are surmounted, these rivers will then be able to diffuse their beneficial influence, and thus lessen the dependence of the rivot on the monsoon rainfall.

In addition to the needs of India proper, the steady development of Burma, at present sparsely populated, and its annual need for large remittances of coined rupees, which do not flow back to India in any large proportion,

will doubtless prove, in course of time, an appreciable strain upon the currency of the Indian Empire.

It is evident that the future of silver will depend still, as it has for thousands of years in the past, on the prosperity, or otherwise, of the teeming myriads of the East, who have attracted and practically absorbed a stream of the white metal from time immemorial.

For nine months of the year, forward has been quoted above cash silver, its noticeable contrast to 1906, when cash was almost always the higher, and in consequence, large stocks of cash silver remained in London; for the high premium on forward silver, which at one time reached 1/2d, tempted Banks to carry the prompt and sell forward, inasmuch as the premium generally exceeded the current rate of interest.

The American financial crisis had little direct influence on silver, for there existed no latent supplies in the States which could be turned into cash on an emergency; and moreover, the United States Government has continued to buy small amounts at intervals, and has thus somewhat curtailed the shipments to Europe; but the disquietude, together with the dearth of money, naturally did not encourage demand for the metal.

From the end of September, when the lack of rain was becoming serious to India, a period of non-settlement has lasted until the end of the year.

There was not much uncertainty as to the direction in which prices were moving: the doubtful element was the pace.

Representatives of the Bank of England, who were buying orders for the day, represented the covering of "bear" sales as they fell due.

A modest revival of business with the Bazaar took place for silver to be shipped by the steamer, the 6th December due to arrive in Bombay during the December settlement. Possibly, as the next Bazaar is delayed unproportionately for marriage, would-be Benefactors took advantage of the months to spare, and the stock of silver in Bombay, already do-lotted by sales to China, required replenishment in order to meet the demand for jewellery, customary on such festive occasions.

The Washington Treasury purchased £200,000 during the month of December, and thus substantially reduced American sales on the London market, already overburdened with supplies.

The quotation fell on the 18th December to 24 3/16d—the lowest quotation since 15th June, 1903—but recovered a little toward the close of the month; at the lower prices now ruling the outlook seems perhaps a shade more encouraging.

The quotation for Mexican dollars during the year seldom has exceeded their melting value. When the price of silver stood high enough for Mexico to export at a profit, a substantial quantity were put on the market, and of these a large proportion were shipped to India for re-coining into Rupees, and the remainder were refined or shipped to the Far East.

We append certain details, connected with the silver movements of the year under review, which may prove useful for reference.

The highest price for cash 32 7/16d—Jan. 2

2 mor. 32 1/2d—Jan. 3

The lowest price for cash 24 3/16d—Dec. 18

2 mor. 24 7/16d—Dec. 18

Largest fall in one day 1d, for cash—Oct. 14

11/16d. 2 mor. 14

“rise in one day” 15/16 for cash—Aug. 14

11/16d. 2 mor. 14

Largest deposit 7/16d. 9th April.

Monthly averages:—

Jan. cash—31 3/4d. 3 mor. 31 7/8d.

Feb. “ 31 7/8d. “ 31 13/16d.

March “ 31 5/16d. “ 31 1/8d.

April “ 30 1/4d. “ 30 1/16d.

May “ 30 1/2d. “ 30 1/32d.

June “ 30 7/8d. “ 31 1/16d.

July “ 31 3/8d. “ 31 9/32d.

Aug. “ 31 5/8d. “ 31 11/16d.

Sept. “ 31 5/16d. “ 31 7/16d.

Oct. “ 28 7/8d. “ 29 1/16d.

Nov. “ 25 1/8d. “ 27 1/32d.

Dec. “ 25 7/8d. “ 25 6/32d.

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, To-day, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after MONDAY, the 10th inst., at NOON, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in on or before the 10th inst., or they will not be recognised.

All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 10th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

J. MILLET,  
Agent.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1908. 12

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 10th day of February, 1908, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, by Order of His EXCELLENCY the Governor of One Lot of CROWN LANDS adjoining Shamkwan Island Lot No. 410, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal of a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

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## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

Number	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents	Square feet	Amount	Upset Price
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For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS, LAYPAIK & CO., General Managers.

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## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, MOJI AND NAGASAKI.

THE Steamship

"JAPAN,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited.

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary, be given before SATURDAY, the 1st inst., at NOON.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 8th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 8th inst., at 9:30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 12th inst., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,

MELCHERS & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1908. 5

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS and CHINA OVERLAND TRADE REPORT is now ready and contains

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## NOTIFICATION

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Applications in the handwriting of the applicant with Certificates of Character, etc., should be forwarded to the Principal Civil Medical Officer, at the Civil Hospital, not later than Noon of the 29th February next.

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J. M. ATKINSON

Principal Civil Medical Officer.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1908. 280

## WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS

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Forms of Tender and any particulars can be obtained on application to this Office, personally or by letter, addressed to the OFFICE COMMANDING, Army Service Corps, between the hours of 10 A.M. and 4 P.M.

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The right to reject any or all Tenders is reserved.

Head Quarter Office.

Victoria Barracks.

Hongkong, 28th January, 1908. 272

## NOTICE.

WE have this day admitted Mr. GEORGE EDWARD MORRELL into Partnership with us and the Firm's business will be carried on under the Firm name of GOLDRING & BARLOW & MORRELL.

GOLDRING & BARLOW, Hongkong, 1st February, 1908. 234

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

## NOTICE.

THE Secretaryship of the CHAMBER is taken over by Mr. E. A. M. WILLIAMS from this date.

EDBERT A. HEWETT,

Chairman

Hongkong, 1st February, 1908. 285

PUBLIC COMPANIES

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PEAK TRAMWAY COMPANY have submitted to the Government revised plans showing the route of the proposed NEW TRAMWAY from the Queen's Road end of Battery Path via GLENVALLEY VALLEY to the PEAK.

The route now proposed cuts the lower part of the North-eastern edge of the Public Gardens and then passing on trundles along their Western extremity, and within 100 yards of the Roman Catholic Cathedral crosses Robinson Road about 30 yards to the East of its junction with Conduit Road. Continuing upwards it passes within 120 yards of Inland Lot No. 1568 and adjoins the Peak Road opposite Inland Lot No. 1146, keeping after that to the Eastern slope of Victoria Peak.

Owners of adjacent property and the general public who may be interested in the effect of the Tramway upon the Public Gardens can inspect the plans and drawings at the Office of the Director of Public Works for a period of one month from this date between the hours of 10 A.M. and 4 P.M.

By Command,

F. H. MAY,

Colonial Secretary.

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HONGKONG AND WHAMPoa DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Company's Offices, Queen's Buildings, New Town, on MONDAY, the 24th February, 1908, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1907.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 24th February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

THOS. L. ROSE,

Secretary

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1908. 280

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THE NEW ARMY ORDER.

Mr. Haldane announced what he is reported  
to have called "the biggest Army Order passed  
of recent years." The document, thus heralded  
was issued from the War Office. It is an Order  
for changing the name of the Militia into a

Special Reserve and for disbanding twenty-three Militia battalions and the Royal  
Army Medical Corps (Militia). The change of

name is important only because it needlessly  
extends the sentiments of all concerned. The  
disbandment of a number of battalions is a  
part of the Procrustean method which lops

an old force to make it fit a new theoretical  
arrangement. That arrangement is that  
each pair of Regular battalions shall have a  
Militia battalion as its reserve, and that twenty-seven Militia battalions shall be reserve

battalions unattached. In future recruits  
joining all these battalions will be liable for  
service abroad, the wish of the Militia for this  
liability being thereby gratified, though it is  
not made clear by the Order that the men are to

have their wish in the form they desired, namely,  
that they should go abroad only with their  
own corps. Apparently the plan is that these  
reserve battalions are to be reservoirs of men  
from which Line battalions at the front are to

draw drafts. The training periods are to be  
modified, the recruit-training to be in all cases  
for six months and the annual training for fifteen  
days, except for the Infantry, who are to have  
six days extra for musketry. The case of the  
Militia Artillery is not made quite as clear as  
possible to outsiders as might have been possible.

Apparently the Cork, Antrim, and Londonderry  
Militia Artillery remain Garrison Artillery, and the rest of the Militia Artillery are to be turned into  
ammunition columns. The Order sets forth

that a different class of special reservists besides  
that into which the Militia are to be converted  
will hereafter be raised, this other class to be  
craftsmen, whose war work will be identical

with their peace occupations, and who will therefore  
need little or no training. The scheme for  
this class is not yet published.

We cannot pretend to admire Mr. Haldane's  
way of doing things. By trying to abolish the  
name Militia, he is ruthlessly trampling upon  
traditions which a wiser Minister would have  
retained as a source of strength. To make

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## ARRIVALS.

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FUKUSYU MARU, Japanese str., 1,190, T. Ito, 1st February—Swatow 31st Jan., General—Osaka Shosha Kashu.  
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MEIFOO, Chinese str., 1st February—Canton, Tjibodas, Dutch str., 2,953, P. Zwart, 3rd Feb.—Moji 27th Jan., General—Java-China Japan Line.  
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KAIKUO MARU, Japanese str., for Rangoon.  
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KWANTUNG, Chinese str., for Canton.  
KWONGSANG, British str., for Canton.  
PAKLAT, German str., for Bangkok.  
RINI, British str., for Manila.  
SIMEBA, American str., for San Francisco.  
2nd February.  
DAHIN-MARU, Japanese str., for Swatow.  
GREGORY ARCAN, British str., for Shanghai.  
KLEIST, German str., for Bangkok.  
KOHNGHANG, German str., for Bangkok.  
PAOTING, British str., for Shanghai.  
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Jan. 10, British str. Swanty, Tawsoo, from Chingwatau.  
British str. Islander, Wright, Jan. 9, from Christmas Island, for Singapore.  
Jan. 13, Dutch str. Ophir, Sharp, Dec. 7, from Rotterdam, for Batavia.  
Jan. 14, British str. Peter, Barwise, Jan. 14, from Batavia, for Amsterdam.  
Jan. 17, Norwegian str. Atlanta, Heinertsen, Nov. 25, from Table Bay, for Aden f.o. o.f.  
Sammarang.  
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LONDON &c. via USUAL PORTS OF CALL	SAIN PATRICK	Am. str.	—	SHewan, TOME & CO.	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	On 16th March.
LONDON, ANTWERP & HAMBURG	EMPEROR OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	—	SHewan, TOME & CO.	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	On 16th March.
MARSEILLES, &c. via PORTS OF CALL	MONTAEGLE	Brit. str.	—	SHewan, TOME & CO.	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	On 16th March.
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PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL  
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & NUBIA	.....	About 5th Febr.	Freight and Passage.
and YOKOHAMA	Capt. F. J. Fox	Febr.	
SHANGHAI	DELTA	About 7th Febr.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS	PENINSULAE	Noon, 8th Febr.	See Special of Call.
Capt. E. A. Peters	Febr.		Advertisement.
MARSEILLES, LONDON, and PALAWAN	.....	About 12th Febr.	Freight and ANTWERP
Capt. C. E. Longden, R.N.	Febr.		Passage.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1908.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO.,  
LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA	"TAMING"	On 5th Febr., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	On 6th Febr., 4 P.M.
CEBU and ILOILO	"YOCHOW"	On 7th Febr., 4 P.M.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PORT DABWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOK TOWN, CAIRES, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, HOBART, LAUNCESTON, NEW ZEALAND, MELBOURNE, ADELAIDE, and PERTH	"SUNGKIANG"	On 8th Febr., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHANGSHA"	On 10th Febr., 4 P.M.
MANILA	"KUOKIANG"	On 11th Febr., 4 P.M.
CEBU and ILOILO	"TEAN"	On 11th Febr., 4 P.M.
• The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.	"KAIFONG"	On 15th Febr., 4 P.M.
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For Freight or Passage, apply to—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.	11

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	THE CO.'S S.	LEAVING
ANPING VIA SWATOW	"FUKUSHU MARU"	WED'DAY, 5th Febr., Capt. T. Ito.
AND AMOY		At Daylight.
TAMSWI VIA SWATOW	"JOSHIN MARU"	SUNDAY, 9th Febr., Capt. H. S. Smith.
AND AMOY		At 9 A.M.

• These Steamers have excellent accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with electric light. First-class Saloon Amidships. Unrivalled Table.

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Hongkong, 1st February, 1908.

T. ASIMA, Manager. 13

## NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. BREMEN. IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"PRINZ SIGISMUND"	About Thursday, Capt. D. LENZ
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP and BREMEN	"PRINZ HEINRICH"	Wednesday 12th Febr., Capt. GROCH
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA	"GOEBEN"	About Wednesday 12th February, Capt. WILHELMI
KUDAT and SANDAKAN	"BORNEO"	Middle of Febr., Capt. F. SEMBILL
MANILA, NEW GUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	"PRINZ SIGISMUND"	Thursday, 27th Febr., at 5 P.M., Capt. D. LENZ

For further Particulars, apply to—

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELCHERS &amp; GENERAL AGENTS, HONGKONG &amp; CHINA.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1908. 5

## HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, HAMBURG.

## EAST ASIATIC FREIGHT SERVICE.

Regular Sailings from JAPAN, CHINA and PHILIPPINES, via STRAITS and COLOMBO, to HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG and to NEW YORK.

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Also via Aden or Port Said, by the Company's "Arabian and Persian Service" to Arabian and Persian Gulf Ports.

NEXT SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG:

OUTWARD.

HOMEWARD.

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA &amp; KOBE: S.S. BRASILIA, 4th Febr.

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA &amp; KOBE: S.S. SAMBIA, 15th Febr.

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA &amp; KOBE: HOHENSTAUFEN, 21st Febr.

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA &amp; KOBE: BELGEAVIA, 5th March.

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Hongkong, 1st February, 1908. 12

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN  
REGULAR THREE-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN  
JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TIJIBODAS	JAPAN	First half of Febr.	JAVA PORTS	First half of Febr.
TIJLATJAP	JAPAN	First half of Febr.	JAVA PORTS	First half of Febr.
TIJIPANAS	JAVA	Second half of Febr.	JAPAN	Second half of Febr.
TIKINI	JAVA	Second half of Febr.	JAPAN	Second half of Febr.
TIJMAHI	JAVA	Second half of Febr.	JAPAN	Second half of Febr.
TIJILWONG	JAPAN	Second half of Febr.	JAVA PORTS	First half of March

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands-India ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the

YORK BUILDINGS, 1st FLOOR.  
HONGKONG, 28th January, 1908.

## NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENGLOE" FROM LEECH, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th Febr., will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamers must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 14th Febr., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 6th Febr., at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON &amp; CO.

Agents.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1908. 301

HONGKONG  
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## SHIPPING IN PORT.

## STEAMERS.

AMIGO, German str., 822, N. J. Balfour, 18th January—Hoihow 16th January, General—Jesors &amp; Co.

AUCHENLAIR, British str., 2,597, Mait, 30th January—Port Kembla 3rd January, Coal—M. M. &amp; Co.

CHIPSHING, British str., 1,199, F. Mooney, 29th January—Swatow 28th January, General—Jardine, Matheson &amp; Co.

EMPEROR OF JAPAN, British str., 3,039, H. Pybus, E.N.E., 13th January—Vancouver, B.C., 24th Dec., via Japan Ports and Shanghai 11th Jan., Mails and General—Canadian Pacific Railway Co.

HANOI French str., 742, Zerk, 31st January—Haiphong 28th, Jan., and Hoihow 20th, General and Figs—A. R. Marti.

HILARY, German str., 1,850, H. Uecker, 22nd Jan.—Macassar 13th Jan., General—Java China Japan Lijo.

HUCHOW, British str., 1,311, E. Forst, 11th January—Haiphong 9th Jan., General—Butterfield &amp; Swire.

KWANGPAU, Chinese str., 1,537, Wm. H. Lunt, 31st January—Shanghai 28th Jan., General—Chiaose.

KWEIYIANG, British str., 1,044, M. Dowson, 29th January—Hoihow 28th Jan., General—Batterfield &amp; Swire.

LINAN, British str., 1,352, Williams, 29th Jan.—Saigon 24th Jan., Nicas—Butterfield &amp; Swire.

MAUSANG, British str., 1,644, R. Houghton, 29th January—Sudan 23rd January, Timber and General—Jardine, Matheson &amp; Co.

MEWOO, Chinese str., 1,330, J. McArthur 28th Jan.—Shanghai 24th January, General—Chinese.

NOED, Norwegian str., 30, G. Haraldsen, 14th January—Bangkok and Annan 7th Jan., Salt and Rice—Aasgaard Thoresen &amp; Co.

PERSIA, British str., 2,744, A. Dixon, 11th Jan.—San Francisco 7th Dec. and Portland, Or., 15th Dec., Flour—O. &amp; O. S. S. Co.

PHRANANG, Gammie str., 1,021, F. Backing, 31st January—Bangkok 20th Jan., Rice—Butterfield &amp; Swire.

PROMTHEUS, Norwegian str., 1,024, Carl Huller, 26th January—Bangkok Jan. 15th, and Swatow 25th General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

PRONTO, Norwegian str., 888, T. Seelberg, 25th January—Saigon 19th Jan., Rice &amp; Flour—Wallen &amp; Co.

SHINMARU, Japanese str., 6,387, K. Kawata, 26th January—Saitta 24th Dec. and Shanghai 23rd Jan., Flour &amp; General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

SINGAN, British str., 1,046, F. Jamison, 26th January—Haiphong and Hoihow 19th Jan., Rice and Lin Stock—Butterfield &amp; Swire.

STANDARD, Norwegian str., 894, H. N. Ball, 13th January—Cebu and Philippine Island 8th Jan., Balast—Wallen &amp; Co.

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Swatow, Amoy and Foochow .....  
Macao .....  
Manila .....  
Haliphong .....  
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FOR THE RACES.



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Hongkong, 26th January, 1908.

OPIUM.

February 1st.

Quotations are:-  
Malwa New ..... \$940 per picul.  
Malwa Old ..... \$920  
Malwa Older ..... \$1020  
Malwa V. Old ..... \$1050  
Persian fine quality ..... \$800  
Persian extra fine ..... \$860  
Patna New ..... \$935 per chest.  
Patna Old ..... \$935  
Bunras New ..... \$935  
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STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL  
Jan. 1st—Tennak, Blucross, Hohenfels, 4th  
Urangath, Korwaerts, 8th—Agamemnon,  
Glenloch, Merclais, Indrasanha, Senegambia,  
Yunnan, 11th—Ahol, Awa, Maru,  
15th—Benlawers, Longor, Cachay, 22nd—  
Manila, Monmouthshire, Salsuna, Patricus,  
Antilochus, 25th—Benmaha, Palma, Kamagawa,  
Mar, Sambia, Pekking, Pakhan, Tonkin,  
Segonia, Tumba Maru, 29th—Hohenfels,  
Bewana, Marmidun, Nyuan, Sibua, Feb. 1st  
Ajoz, Armand Behio, Machaon, Louther Castle,  
Sik, Andras Rickmers.

ARRIVAL AT HOME.  
Jan. 31st—York, Luttrell, Sachsen.

TO-MORROW.

Grand Boxing Contest, City Hall, 9 p.m.

COMMERCIAL

EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

February 1st.

ON LONDON—  
Telegraphic Transfer ..... 1/104  
Bank Bills, on demand ..... 1/103  
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight ..... 1/103  
Bank Bills, at 4 months sight ..... 1/102  
Credits, at 4 months sight ..... 1/101  
Documentary Bills 4 months sight/1/112

ON PARIS—  
Bank Bills, on demand ..... 2371  
Credits, at 4 months' sight ..... 2431

ON GERMANY—  
on demand ..... 1834

ON NEW YORK—  
Bank Bills, on demand ..... 1451  
Credits, at 60 days sight ..... 1471

ON BOMBAY—  
Telegraphic Transfer ..... 142

Bank, on demand ..... 1424

ON CALCUTTA—  
Telegraphic Transfer ..... 142

Bank, on demand ..... 1424

ON SHANGHAI—  
Bank, at sight ..... 741

Private, 30 days sight ..... 751

ON YOKOHAMA—  
On demand ..... 921

ON MANILA—  
On demand—Pesos 33

ON SINGAPORE—  
On demand ..... 223 p.c.p.m.

ON BEIJING—  
On demand ..... 1121

ON HAIPHONG—  
On demand ..... 42 p.c.p.m.

ON SAIGON—  
On demand ..... 41 p.c.p.m.

ON BANGKOK—  
On demand ..... 791

SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate, \$10.40

GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael ..... \$54.90

BAR SILVER, per oz. ..... 251

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SATURDAY, 8th, 11.00 A.M.

SATURDAY, 8th, 3.00 P.M.

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CHANGSHA—  
Monday, 10th, 3.00 P.M.

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